CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully request consideration of the claims and prompt allowance of the claims. Early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any under-payments or credit any over- payments to our Deposit Account No.06-1448. The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-832-1169.

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At page 1, section 1 "RELATED APPLICATIONS", the existing sentence was deleted and the following new sentence was inserted:

"This application is a continuation of U.S.S.N. 09/503,438, filed February 14, 2000, which claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. section 119(e) to Provisional Application 60/119,828, filed February 12, 1999, the specifications of both of which are hereby incorporated by this reference in their entirety."



Claims 1 - 138 were cancelled, and claims 139 - 164 added, so no mark-up is provided.